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SUBJECT: DIE BURGER SPECULATES ON NEW S.A. MOVE

REF: CAPE TOWN 978

1. IN A BRIEF FRONT PAGE ARTICLE MAY 16, DIE BURGER, THE
NATIONAL PARTY MOUTHPIECE IN THE CAPE, STATED THAT A NEW SOUTH
AFRICAN MOVE IN CONNECTION WITH THE INDEPENDENCE OF SOUTH WEST
AFRICA CAN BE EXPECTED WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. THE ARTICLE
NOTES THAT THREE WEEKS HAVE PASSED SINCE SOUTH AFRICAN ACCEPTANCE
OF THE WESTERN PROPOSAL, DURING WHICH TIME THERE HAS BEEN
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"VERY LITTLE MOVEMENT ON THE PART OF THE WEST." QUOTING "INFORMED
SOURCES", THE ARTICLE NOTES SOUTH WEST AFRICAN LEADERS ARE URGING
ACTION AND STATES THE TIME FOR IMPLEMENTING THE PROPOSALS IS
GROWING SHORT. IN VIEW OF THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, DIE BURGER'S
REPORT ADDS, SOUTH AFRICA CAN BE EXPECTED TO UNDERTAKE A
"NEW INITIATIVE" RELATED TO THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE TERRITORY.
ALTHOUGH IT IS UNCERTAIN EXACTLY WHAT STEPS WILL BE TAKEN,

THE ARTICLE CONCLUDES, IT WILL "APPARENTLY BE A NEUTRAL DEED
WHICH WILL HELP WITHE PROCESS OF INDEPENDENCE."
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